

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

19th September 2021

Services for Sunday 19th September

8.45am Morning Prayer via Zoom

To connect via zoom
Meeting ID: 833 3035 8290
Passcode: 735361
Or by phoning: 0131 460 1196 or
0203 481 5237 or 0203 481 5240

10.00am Holy Communion at St Nicholas, Potterspurty.
We welcome Revd. Lynda Randall to lead our service this morning.

6.00pm Evensong at St Peter & St Paul, Cosgrove

Today's Readings

Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you;
and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Post Communion

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love you with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

First Reading – Wisdom 1.16-2.1 & 12-22

¹⁶ But the ungodly by their words and deeds summoned death;

considering him a friend, they pined away and made a covenant with him, because they are fit to belong to his company.

² For they reasoned unsoundly, saying to themselves, "Short and sorrowful is our life, and there is no remedy when a life comes to its end, and no one has been known to return from Hades.

¹² "Let us lie in wait for the righteous man, because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions;

he reproaches us for sins against the law, and accuses us of sins against our training.

¹³ He professes to have knowledge of God, and calls himself a child of the Lord.

¹⁴ He became to us a reproof of our thoughts;

¹⁵ the very sight of him is a burden to us, because his manner of life is unlike that of others, and his ways are strange.

¹⁶ We are considered by him as something base, and he avoids our ways as unclean; he calls the last end of the righteous happy, and boasts that God is his father.

¹⁷ Let us see if his words are true, and let us test what will happen at the end of his life;

¹⁸ for if the righteous man is God's child, he will help him, and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries.

¹⁹ Let us test him with insult and torture, so that we may find out how gentle he is, and make trial of his forbearance.

²⁰ Let us condemn him to a shameful death, for, according to what he says, he will be protected."

²¹ Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray, for their wickedness blinded them,

²² and they did not know the secret purposes of God, nor hoped for the wages of holiness,

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Second Reading – James 3.13-4.3 & 7-8a

¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵ Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶ For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷ But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸ And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for^o those who make peace.

4 Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ² You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet^o something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

⁷ Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸ Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

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Gospel

Mark 9.30-37

Hear the Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord

³⁰ They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; ³¹ for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." ³² But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³ Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴ But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵ He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶ Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Weekday services

Tuesday and Thursday

Meditation Prayer via Zoom.

Tuesdays at 7pm and Thursdays at 5pm.

Contact [Mary McVay](#) with your email address so she can send you the zoom connection codes.

For more info, have a look at the Christian Meditation page on our [website](#).

Wednesday

8.00pm, a short service of **Night Prayer** on our South Cleley [Facebook page](#).

Next Sunday 26th September

8.45am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10.00am Holy Communion with Harvest Thanksgiving at St Peter & St Paul, Cosgrove

4.00pm Sunday@Four for Climate Sunday and Harvest Thanksgiving at St Leonard, Yardley Gobion

Church Buildings

Our buildings are open for private prayer at the following times:

Cosgrove

Daily 10am-4pm

Potterspury

Monday - Saturday 9am to 3pm, Sundays 9am to 12noon.

Yardley Gobion

Monday to Saturday 10am-4pm, Sunday 12noon-4pm

Wicken – the church can be opened if anyone would like to go in for prayer – please see the notice outside for details of who to contact.

Support for you

The Ministry Team are keeping in touch with parish members. If you need help, or would like prayers for anything concerning you please do get in touch with one of us – details below:

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We keep Richard Yates in our prayers for his recovery from illness.

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